

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE



CASE NUMBER:

**VIOLATOR:**

Riner & Associates Inc.

Registration #: 73-R-0118

Customer #: 329867

ADDRESS (Street, City, State, ZIP Code):

Route 1 Box 435

Nowata, OK 74048

The U.S. Department of Agriculture has evidence that on or about **September 4, 2014**, you or your organization committed violations of the following sections of the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 9:

**2.33(b)(2) Attending Veterinarian and Adequate Vet Care....** each research facility shall establish and maintain programs of adequate veterinary care that use the appropriate methods to prevent, control, diagnose, and treat diseases and injuries (DIRCET)

You failed to provide veterinarian care for the following animals:

- A male beagle (Microchip #2576) was extremely thin and not receiving treatment
- A female beagle (Microchip #0A02413257) had a large, red swelling located in the inner corner of the right eye, on the inner surface of the lower eyelid
- A female beagle (Microchip #0A02412566) was extremely wobbly and ataxic, appeared disoriented and had difficulty walking

The Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) created federal regulations to ensure the welfare of animals and help prevent the spread of animal and plant pests and diseases. Since violations of the regulations can have serious and costly impacts that are detrimental to the public interest, APHIS is providing you with an Official Warning for the violation(s) described above. Any further violation of these federal regulations may result in the assessment of a civil penalty, criminal prosecution, or other sanctions. If you have any questions concerning this Official Warning or violation(s), please contact the APHIS official listed in this notice.

APHIS OFFICIAL (Name and Title):

Chester A. Gipson  
Deputy Administrator  
Animal Care

SIGNATURE:

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